# The National Security State and the JFK Assassination

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The national-security establishment's assassination of President John F. Kennedy was one of the pivotal events in our lifetime, and it continues to have an adverse impact on American life today.

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[Music] i'm jacob hornberger president of the future of freedom foundation and this is this week's libertarian angle the show as many of you know brings you the principled and compromising case for the free society the libertarian philosophy i'm not joined this week by my co-host richard eveline who's tied up with academic matters at the citadel where he's a professor of economics so you get another solo performance from me for this week's libertarian angle and i'd like to talk to you all about the conference that we're having right now called the national security state and the kennedy assassination now right off the bat people often ask me jacob what relevance does the kennedy assassination have to what we're doing today this happened 50 years ago how can y'all spend a lot of time focusing in on this thing well look around you you see forever wars you see long-term wars in afghanistan irag syria interventionism all over the world especially in the middle east that goes on forever now you've got the perpetual war on terrorism uh before that you had the war on communism which effectively morphed into the war on terrorism uh into the cold war you had russia and the soviet union and red china and north korea and north vietnam and cuba and a host of other communist countries as official enemies of the united states today it's pretty much the same cast yeah for some reason they haven't chosen to focus in on vietnam but they certainly focus in on north korea and russia's and you know another official enemy again and red china and cuba they've still got the embargo on so there is actually a direct line from the kennedy assassination to where we are today in america now i

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to where we are today in america now i i've often said that the worst mistake america ever made was to convert the federal government to a national security state and i truly believe that this is where the center of the destruction of american liberty lies and a lot of americans just don't realize that they they look at the pentagon the cia and the nsa is their protector their friend the founding fathers of this country knew that a giant military establishment intelligence establishment is actually your your biggest threat to your freedom and your well-being eisenhower pointed this out in his farewell address in 1961 this is dwight eisenhower he's president but he's a military guy i mean he was the the supreme allied commander of allied forces in world war ii he he knows the military structure backwards and forwards and in this farewell address which stunned a lot of people no doubt especially those in the national security establishment he said that this newfangled way of life that america has adopted what he called a military-industrial complex just another term for the national security establishment it poses a grave danger to the freedom and the well-being and the democratic processes of the american people and look around you i mean you you've got all these forever wars you've got omnipotent government which is the opposite of a limited government by omnipotent i mean for example they have the power to assassinate anybody they want including americans non-reviewable courts aren't going to get involved congress isn't going to stand up to these people this is the

most powerful part of the federal government they decide to assassinate somebody nothing's going to stop them from doing it and no one's going to be held accountable or the power of indefinite detention this is a power that communist countries have had ever since communist regimes came into

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ever since communist regimes came into place where you just pick people up throw them in jail don't give them a trial just hold them until they die they have the power to do that now under a national security state they have the power of secret surveillance nothing's going to happen to them if they get caught spying on people keeping track of people's emails their website visits nothing's going to happen to anybody they're immune from any of this stuff that they do now if you had asked the the american people at the time the constitutional convention came out and said you know we're going to propose a constitution here we know that we were supposed to just modify the all the articles of confederation but we've come up with a new concept we're going to have a national security state where the federal government and federal officials have the power to assassinate y'all and assassinate anybody they want and put them in jail for their life until they die torture them the american people would have just laughed they would have thought it was a big joke and then when they were finally you know convinced that that these people were being serious they would have turned down the deal similarly they would have just continued operating under the articles of confederation which was a different type of governmental system they'd been operating under for over 10 years where the federal government's powers were so weak they didn't even have the power to tax if you could believe that but what sold it to him is i said well no this is a limited government republic that the constitution is calling into existence its powers are limited to those enumerated so if the power is not enumerated like the power of assassination they can't exercise it so the american people said okay on that on that basis but we want to make sure i want to make sure this is an insurance policy we want a bill of rights which really is a bill of prohibitions and a bill of restrictions because rights don't come from the constitution or the bill of rights they pre-exist the government but to make sure we want to send them a message and make it real clear that

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message and make it real clear that we know that this is this is a government that that is going to attract people that want to destroy our freedom of speech our freedom of religion this is what government always does it it attracts people that for whatever reason just have this thirst and they come up ex with excuses to destroy people's freedom you know or keeping you safe or it's in the interest of national security and so forth so there's express prohibitions on powers like there's a the fifth amendment prohibits them from assassinating people the first amendment prohibits them from interfering with freedom of speech the uh the bill of rights prohibits torture it's right there cruel and unusual punishments no indefinite detention so the american people said this is the type of government we want so obviously they they oppose giant military establishments because they understood that giant military establishments as part of a governmental structure become the means by which the constitutions are ignored and and so there was a basic military force but you know nothing like what we have today and certainly not large enough to go abroad and intervene in other countries and establish a foreign empire of military bases and all the things we have today and then of course there was no cia and there was no nsa and and by and large the government complied with the restrictions there was no power of assassination there was no power of indefinite detention because the federal courts enforced these restrictions in the bill of rights on the federal government everything changes after world war ii when the when the conversion takes place and notice that the conversion isn't even done with a constitutional amendment it's done just summarily they say oh we're facing this cold war that we've got an official enemy the soviet union and godless communism in red china and north korea and north vietnam

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vietnam and you know you know and others were popping up later cuba and so forth that that the communists are coming to get us and so yeah we've beat the nazis but you can't rest you can't rest we're sorry we're going to have to keep your taxes high we've got to have a giant conversion to a national security state because the argument was a limited government republic cannot stand in this war this cold war which turned hot in korea and vietnam that we can't beat them because they've got the power of assassination they've got the power of torture and indefinite detention how do we beat that if we're not going to exercise the same kind of powers and so that was the justification for the conversion that we got to become like them in order to defeat them but the assumption was that as soon as the war is over we can get our limited government republic back well fat chance of that as soon as the cold war was over in 1989 uh the last thing this powerful structure was going to do was to simply go quietly into the night and dismantle itself and that's when you get all the foreign interventionism in the middle east the persian gulf intervention the killing of hundreds of thousands of iragi children with the sanctions the unconditional support to the israeli government regardless of what it does you know on and on the no-fly zone stationing troops near islamic holy lands knowing the reaction that that would bring among muslims and then of course the reaction was predictable terrorist attacks 1993 on the world trade center which was really no different in principle than the ones on 9 11 and the attacks on the uss cole and and you know and as the attacks are taking place it's so clear because the terrorists are saying this we're retaliating for what you're doing over here but the argument always says oh no no no they're they're you know hate us for our freedom and values but all the while that the this national security establishments gets larger more powerful bigger budgets more

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larger more powerful bigger budgets more contractors it becomes the dominant part of the federal government and i know that i've recommended this book in the past but i'm going to recommend it again it's it's an it's it's a profound book it's very easily readable very profound by michael glennon it called it national security and double government glennon's thesis is a very simple one that the entity that's in charge of the federal government and and running the country uh especially in with respect to foreign policy is the national security establishment part of the government it's essentially a fourth branch of government you've got the legislative executive judicial and the national security branch which consists of the pentagon the cia the nsa that is the military intelligence establishment and to a certain extent the fbi as well and and that they they permit the other three branches to have the facade that they're in control and to make people americans feel good that oh it's the same government we've always had but in fact it's the national security establishment that's in charge i mean you know you've got this secretary of defense he's a military man that's not what was supposed to be the case supposed to be a civilian in there and people think oh why did biden do that nobody stops to think about that biden didn't do it it's the it's the pentagon the cia saving we don't want this nonsense this charade of having a civilian in their supervisors put our man in there and and of course biden's gonna say yes and and every president since kennedy has said yes to these people i mean notice that no president has ever stood up to the national security establishment since john f kennedy now you asked me what the relevance is i mean right there you've got relevance why do you think they haven't stood up against the national security establishment now the uh the congress doesn't stand up to him i mean you and for one thing you feel with military veterans cia veterans they're not about to

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cia veterans they're not about to you know do anything that's going to significantly reduce military expenditures or cia expenditures or nsa expenditures that they're loyal to to their to their alma mater there you know the the military and the cia and much less talk in terms of dismantling this entity and restoring the limited government republic and then you've got the threat of loss of military bases i mean as soon as a congressman even thinks about reducing military expenditures in a significant way they target him with cancellation of bases and military projects in his district and then the mainstream press goes on the attack and says oh this is an ineffective congressman and people get all upset and he's voted out of office then they get another one of their loyal acolytes in there so the chances of congress standing up against the national security establishment or non-existent and the judiciary they abrogated their responsibility decades ago the

the the supreme court came up with a doctrine that it just made up called the political question doctrine where they said we can't second guess the national security establishment on foreign policy and its regime change operations including assassinations that we just we don't like we don't have the power because we lack the expertise here they have the expertise on who should be assassinated who who is shouldn't be assassinated and we can't second-guess them this is just a cop-out it's just an acknowledgement of the power of the national security establishment that the supreme court knows it if it issued an order prohibiting them from assassinating people based on the fifth amendment that pentagon would ignore it how's the supreme court going to force that order i mean this is where the power of a national security establishment is omnipotent and then you've got the president now generally the president's on the same page as a national security establishment if they want to create problems with iran the president's going to go along with it i mean you know presidents come and go but the national security establishment it's

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national security establishment it's the permanent fixture within the federal government and so presidents since kennedy have all gone along now trump was a little bit different you know trump which i think was the main reason he got elected that trump was speaking to them in very disrespectful terms imagine being in those presidential debates and and saying uh that irag was built on lies i mean that's a no-no i mean the national security establishment's not gonna permit that in in discourse or at least they're not going to they're not going to like it and that's one of the reasons why trump was targeted early in his administration oh he's a russian spy he's a russian dupe because the last thing they wanted was to for the united states to establish friendly relations with russia if if the national security state loses russia as an official enemy what do they have okay they have china well trump did their bidding there started a big trade war you end up all this conflict and tension and if that doesn't work we'll go in there and start killing more people in the middle east get get the war on terrorism all ginned up again new syria and so forth the a national security state thrives on unofficial enemies and and anywhere you find a national security state like in myanmar right now or pakistan or egypt or north korea or china or russia there's always going to be official enemies that they're ginning up to to do something now you know to protect the the country what is is to show you why you need a national security state well kennedy was different you see now to understand where we are today when you look at all these crises foreign policy crisis all these official enemies that keep the people so scared and so riled up and oh gosh thank goodness we have the c.i.a and the pentagon and the nsa to keep us safe notice that they just all revolve around this concept of national security kennedy was different no there's been no well let me go back to trump for a

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well let me go back to trump for a minute you know trump you know talked a good game but he ended up crumbling and and it's very mysterious as to why he ended up crumbling but there's no question he ended up crumbling he starts surrounding himself with all these generals and war mongers this is not what he had campaigned on and then when the cia demanded that that he release that that he keep secret the jfk related records that are more than 50 years old and and there's still secret you see on national security uh trump had animated that and he'd actually directly stated i'm going to release these records and then the cia came in and said no you're not and and trump went along with him and so trump cratered uh we don't know why but he cratered and uh i mean especially there at the end when he could have a sign and should have pardoned julian assange and edward snowden for revealing the truthful dark side secrets to the national security establishment he just cratered and said no i'm not going to do it so if you go back to kennedy kennedy is the only one that's ever stood up against these people and we know what's happened i mean that's that's the point of this conference is that you you you find a situation where a president's has a breakthrough and he says you know this is just a bunch of bull this whole cold war things the russia is an official enemy uh the communist menace the red minister is enveloping the world in america is just a bunch of bull now imagine a president saying that today or even a presidential candidate i mean their the mainstream press would go ballistic i mean like how they went ballistic with trump when he when he

animated that that the iraq war was based on lies on the wmds or recall what happened to ron paul in the 2008 presidential debate where he said on the reason that the 9 11 terrorists came over here to to kill us is because the you know the national security state was over there killing multitudes of people before then

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killing multitudes of people before then and man boy every i mean all hell broke loose everybody came down on the ron paul man the mainstream press you you know that the the nasa security establishment hated hearing that you're just not supposed to say these things you're supposed to say oh they came over here for our you know because they didn't like our freedom and values and so forth uh so but ironically that was where ron paul's campaign took off because there was a large number of people that just instinctively knew he was telling the truth well this is what kennedy was doing and and but kennedy was far ahead of his time i mean i i put kennedy even further ahead than people today i mean you know okay the cold war ends in 89 but not by choice i mean the national security establishment was furious they were shocked that the soviet union had just said we're done we're out of here and we're we're going to dismantle the berlin wall we're going to remove our troops from eastern europe and well all of a sudden you know the national security establishment doesn't have their big official enemy anymore but it wasn't by choice it was because the soviet union chose to do it well kennedy chose to end the cold war to end the animosities against russia something that even today you know incurs the ire of the mainstream press and and not only just the right wing but the left wing too you talk about making any presidential candidate talks about making friends with russia and china i mean he the whole world's going to come crashing down him and the world came crashing down on john kennedy this is what made this man so different and he understood the power that the military industrial complex which is what what what eisenhower referred to in his farewell address and kennedy had heard that farewell address so kennedy was just coming into power and kennedy understood that power and so he kennedy immediately gets into a war with the cia over the bay of pigs the bay of pigs

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pigs they they double-crossed him they deceived him and so did the pentagon because they considered him a neil fight oh he was just a you know lieutenant in world war ii where generals were admirals and they didn't respect the guy and they set him up and kennedy knew it and at the end of the the bay of pigs he ends up firing alan dulleson which was a mortal sin a crime essentially in the eyes of the nascar establishment i mean dulles was their everything the guy goes back you know to the oas and then comes to the cia and here's kennedy treating him like you're out and then uh after that kennedy gets in a major war with the pentagon over whether to invade cuba and then you've got operation northwoods and you've got the uh the cuban missile crisis which uh general lemay on the joint chiefs of staff called the worst defeat in u.s history because kennedy had left cuba in the hands of the the communists which they said was a grave threat to nash security that america couldn't stand if cuba stays under under communist rule that's why you have this assassination plot where the cia entered into a partnership with the mafia to assassinate castro i mean they truly believe this that's the thing to keep in mind now all the defense contractors and stuff that they're a lot of them are in it for the money but the people at the top here the joint chiefs of staff the cia the director deputy director the nsa people they truly believed this that the toeld war was necessary that this was a war between capitalism and communism and it was a life or death struggle so some of the military people were even telling kennedy you need to we need to do a surprise attack nuclear attack on the soviet union before they get too many nuclear weapons in other words just like a japanese attack on pearl harbor that's what they were advocating and kennedy lost total respect for them i mean after the after the cuban missile crisis

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missile crisis he says you know i've done with these people and and so he goes to american university and throws down the gauntlet and he says the cold war is over i'm declaring an end to it and there's absolutely no reason why we can't live in peaceful and friendly harmonious relationships with the soviet union in the

communist world we have different ideologies but that should not prevent us from peacefully coexisting and then he later says that you know we can do a joint moon project which means sharing rocket technology with the communists he enters into secret negotiations to end the hostilities and tensions with cuba and fidel castro enters into a nuclear test ban treaty starts pulling troops out of vietnam in other words he has a vision for the future of this country that is totally contradictory to the pentagon and the cia vision and what what what that vision entails is the removal of the justification for the national security establishment the national security establishment which considers itself to be the experts on communism and and national security and the cold war and where the future of america lies they realize that they believe they're convinced that this president is placing america due to his naivete into a very very precarious situation a situation so precarious that it's going to ultimately mean a communist take over the united states this is a conflict of visions that cannot be reconciled it's it's one or the other and if kennedy prevails the justification for the entire national security state evaporates so this this is the conflict that leads up to november 22nd 1963. now in our conference we're going to be dealing next week with really the heart of the conference which is the medical evidence the the autopsy that the military conducted on the body of president kennedy and

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on the body of president kennedy and we're beginning with douglas horn who served on the staff of the assassination records review board he's got a two and two hour and 45 minute presentation we've recorded he recorded it we've put it online in advance of his presentation next wednesday 7 p.m if you haven't registered you can register on our website find you just look for the conference website and you can register there but this is the most significant this is the heart of this conference now why is that well you you've often heard people say oh jacob if there had been a nasa security state assassination of president kennedy somebody somebody would have talked by now that's just not necessarily true we're talking about murder people don't generally talk about murder in fact the cia's official policy from the very beginning is when it comes to assassination never put anything into writing so it's not surprising that people are not going to talk about assassinating a president of the united states let me give you another example of this there's a guy named johnny rosselli who was a mafia figure and he was the liaison between the cia and the mafia when they entered into a partnership to assassinate fidel castro roscelli ends up in body parts in a barrel floating in miami harbor so it's clear he didn't commit suicide he was murdered to this day we don't know who killed johnny roselli in other words people didn't talk now but but where people did talk and this is what they they obviously never really anticipated was with respect to the autopsy now they were very successful in keeping everything secret for many many years for about 15 years when it start when the dam started to break but then it was the 1990s during the assassination records review board where doug horn served on the staff that the dam broke open this is where people talked you see because because the aftermath the autopsy is not the same thing as the assassination

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the same thing as the assassination something different it's part of a cover-up and when they started talking that's when the gig was up because you see what ends up happening is as the evidence is coming through and in the beginning of just a small amount of evidence but then a flood of evidence that's when you know that this is a fraudulent autopsy on the very evening of the assassination i mean remember kennedy is declared dead at around 1 p.m dallas time at 8 pm eastern time they start the official autopsy so this is just you know a few hours all of a sudden you have this fraudulent autopsy taking place now how could they have come up with a plan for a fraudulent autopsy at the last minute it had to be built in the assassination and that's why the autopsy is so critical why because people talked and they talked big time and that talk leads directly to the conclusion of a fraudulent autopsy but they kept it secret for 30 years uh most of it's secret for 30 years until the arr b uncovered what had happened when people started to talk and so they they were successful in that sense because by the time the arrb comes out with with all of this evidence showing the the frauds and autopsy the mainstream press doesn't care anymore a lot of people don't care anymore say oh well 30 years ago so by then putting a cap of national security state secrets vows of secrecy they made everybody participating in the autopsy take vows of secrecy they made them sign vows of

secrecy and so when those vows started being released then that's when the evidence comes out and and that's what you're going to see in this in the in the heart of this conference that we're putting on beginning with doug horn's presentation now he will be followed by three other physicians

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physicians doctors independent doctors and by the end of these four presentations if you don't conclude that this was a frozen autopsy i will be very surprised when i read doug horn's book it's a watershed book he's got a five volume book called inside the assassination records review board it's not an easy read but if you get through it i have no doubts that you will conclude this was a fraudulent autopsy now why is that important well there is no innocent explanation for a fraudulent autopsy no nobody's ever presented one i mean i i would challenge anyone come up with a innocent explanation for a fraud zone autopsy can't do it when you got fraud there's a reason that fraud is being conducted and when you've got the fraud that's being kept secret for 30 years and then it finally comes out uh there is no innocent explanation and so by looking at this thing backwards once you establish a fraudulent autopsy there's only one conclusion that can be reached that when the national security establishment conducts the frauds in an autopsy it's part of a cover-up well who are they covering up for and this is where you can eliminate all the conspiracy theories you know the soviets did it the mafia did the the the uh fidel castro did it you know the national security establishment is conducting a fraud in an autopsy a few hours after the assassination is not going to be covering up for dev for fidel castro i guarantee you not going to be covering up for the soviet union or the communists and so that is a key to understanding this whole thing uh you know you can throw around the term conspiracy theory all you want and and of course the mainstream press does but they cannot avoid this fraudulent autopsy conclusion and which is why they've avoided it for you know ever since the arrb came up with all this thing i mean let me give you one example there's a woman named sandra spencer who worked in the white house photography lab she's

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lab she's she's a navy navy petty officer and it would be impossible to find a more credible witness than sandra spencer i mean if you look at her you can google her and she's her credentials are like a mile long she worked closely with the white house on on top secret photographic evidence and no one has ever questioned her credibility well well on the weekend of the assassination she's asked to develop the autopsy photographs and she does but she's led to believe this is classified and so everybody knows what classified means she kept it secret for 30 years she's called to testify before the assassination records review board and she testifies when they show her the official photographs in the in the record and she looks at him and says no these are not the photographs i developed the photographs i developed showed a big exit-sized wound in the back of president kennedy's head so assuming she's telling the truth and nobody questioned her credibility no you know the military once they learned that she had testified to this or the cia could have gone and said oh she's a liar she's making this up they kept silent about saunders fincher they want to tangle with this woman and by this time they knew the mainstream press would ignore it anyway which they did but the irony was that her testimony matched with dr robert mcclellan has said all the way up to the time of his death uh i think he died last year and you can google his name robert mcclellan dr barkland hospital kennedy and you can see a number of videos where he says there was a big exercise wound she he said i saw it he says i i summoned the doctors over and showed them there's no way to save this man look at he's got a orange size uh hole in the back lower back of his head the official photograph doesn't show that it shows the back of the head to be intact so you've got these this is just you know one or two things about the frauds and the nature of the autopsy so i would invite you to watch these things now you know it's

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to watch these things now you know it's not for everybody there we all know there's people both inside the libertarian movement and outside the libertarian movement they don't want to know it's just we don't want to know it it's a matter of national security i'm

just going to go on with my life and i'm just not going to get into this you know and if they did it i'm not going to condemn them they they obviously felt they were doing the right thing and it's it's time to move on well if you're instead a person that says you know what we need to understand this we understand we need to understand where we are as a country today by looking at our past our entire past the whole national security legacy of being a national security state we got to look at mk ultra we got to look at the regime change operation in 53 in iran and then in guatemala and 54 and chile in 73 and and iraq and afghanistan and we got we have to see this whole military warfare state structure that that pervades our country today the power of assassination and indefinite detention and part of this legacy is this assassination because this is the only president who has ever stood up to these people and they're in in that war and we'll be getting into that in the later stages of of our conference so if you if you haven't been watching these series we've these videos we've already had let's see i quess is four or five lectures and they're all on our website fff.org so you can catch up but even if you don't catch up these four lectures are are the most critical they're the ones that lead to the who of the assassination the others are more of the why of the assassination why was this war taking place between kennedy and the national security establishment and so if you do want to jump in at this point i invite you to watch doug horn's video before his presentation next wednesday which is going to be devoted to q a and so you get a lot more out of the q

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so you get a lot more out of the q a if you've seen the presentation for those of you that are truly industrious i would invite you after you watch that video to read my book the kennedy autopsy and if you're super industrious to read the kennedy autopsy to my my subsequent book on the autopsy because it centers around uh horn's watershed five volume book and then proceed on with the physicians we have uh following horn the the four presentations of the medical evidence so that's my presentation for this week we it's it's it revolves around this conference but to a larger extent it revolves around the future of this country you know we libertarians are about liberty i mean that's our goal right i mean if you look at any of the mission statements of any libertarian think tank or educational foundation we're here about achieving freedom well the point is is that you can't achieve freedom in under a national security state so you got to confront it if you if you want a free society you have to confront a national security state because freedom in a national security state are opposites you can't have freedom under a national security state and so part of making the case for a restoration of a limited government republic is showing the horrific things that come with a national security state namely the destruction of liberty and well-being and and uh and really the the well-being of society so that's my my report to you in this week's libertarian angle and I look forward to seeing you all next week

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